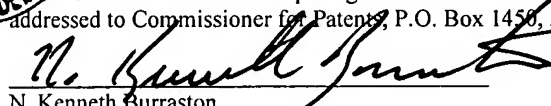


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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action of February 24, 2005, the shortened statutory period for response to which ends after May 24, 2005, and in conjunction with the filing of a Request For Continued Examination, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the list of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.

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